AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all previous versions, and listing, of claims in this application.

1. (Previously Presented) A method performed by an apparatus, the method comprising:

maintaining a profile of voice user interface capabilities associated with the apparatus, wherein the profile includes at least one setting related to voice interaction dialogue with a user, said at least one voice interaction dialogue setting including at least a speech recognition verification-related setting;

storing an application having voice user interface features on the apparatus or downloading an application having voice user interface features from a server in communication with the apparatus;

examining at least part of the profile; and

using voice user interface features of the application which are appropriate to the profile and refraining from using inappropriate features;

in which the stored application when executed responds to at least one user voice input with a query or a statement in dependence on the speech recognition verification-related setting.

2. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising prior to the using step: initializing the application using information included in the profile.

3. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, in which the maintaining step includes maintaining information relating to any combination of vocabulary, dialogue, automatic speech recognition and text-to-speech synthesis capabilities.

4. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, in which the maintaining step includes maintaining information relating to grammar capabilities, wherein the grammar capabilities comprise at least one of statistical and context free grammar capabilities associated with the device.

5. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, in which the using step includes referring to definitions forming part of the application, and using those definitions with at least part of the profile to determine which parts of the application are appropriate to the profile.

6. (Previously Presented) An apparatus, comprising:

a storage device for maintaining a profile of voice user interface capabilities associated with the apparatus;

a reader for examining at least part of the profile; and

an application runner arranged to run an application using voice user interface features of the application which are appropriate to the profile and to refrain from using inappropriate features wherein the profile includes at least one setting related to voice interaction dialogue with a user, said at least one voice interaction dialogue setting including at least a speech recognition verification related setting;

in which the application runner responds to at least one user voice input with a query or a statement in dependence on the speech recognition verification-related setting.

7. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 6, comprising an initializer, arranged to use information included in the profile to initialize the application.

8. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 6, in which the profile includes information relating to any combination of vocabulary, dialogue, automatic speech recognition and text-to-speech synthesis capabilities.

9. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 6, in which the profile includes information relating to grammar capabilities, wherein the grammar capabilities comprises at least one of statistical and context-free grammar capabilities associated with the device.

10. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 6, in which the application runner is arranged to refer to definitions forming part of the application, and to compare these definitions with at least part of the profile to determine which parts of the application are appropriate to the profile.

11. (Previously Presented) A system comprising:

an apparatus having voice user interface capabilities; and

a server, capable of communicating with the apparatus,

the server being arranged to examine at least part of a profile voice user interface capabilities associated with the apparatus, and to run an application using voice user interface features of the application which are appropriate to the profile and to refrain from using inappropriate features, wherein the profile includes at least one setting related to voice interaction dialogue with a user, said at least one voice interaction dialogue setting including at least a speech recognition verification-related setting, and in which the stored application when run responds to at least one user voice input with a query or a statement in dependence on the speech recognition verification-related setting.

12. (Previously Presented) A system as claimed in claim 11, in which the server comprises an initializer, arranged to use information included in the profile to initialize the application.

13. (Previously Presented) A system as claimed in claim 11, in which the profile includes information relating to any combination of vocabulary, dialogue, automatic speech recognition and text-to-speech synthesis capabilities.

14. (Previously Presented) A system as claimed in claim 11, in which the profile includes information relating to grammar capabilities, wherein the grammar capabilities comprise at least one of statistical and context free grammar capabilities that are associated with the device.

15. (Previously Presented) A system as claimed in claim 11, in which the server is arranged to refer to definitions forming part of the application, and to use these definitions with at least part of the profile to determine which parts of the application are appropriate to the profile.

16-18. (Cancelled)

19. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
at a first apparatus operative in a wireless communications network,

storing at the first apparatus an application the output of which is to be used by a second apparatus;

reading a voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile for the second apparatus, the voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile comprising at least a speech recognition verification-related setting, and in

which the stored application when executed responds to at least one user voice input with a query or a statement in dependence on the speech recognition verification-related setting;

initializing the application;

detecting that execution of the application is required;

executing the application while reading relevant parts of the ~~device~~ voice user interface profile on-the-fly, and

using appropriate parts of the voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile and refraining from using inappropriate parts of the ~~UI voice~~ voice user interface profile.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 19 wherein the first apparatus is a base station operative in the wireless communications network.

21. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19 further comprising:

determining that the voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile for the second apparatus is stored at the first apparatus.

22. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19 further comprising:

determining that the voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile for the second apparatus is not stored at the first apparatus; and

uploading the voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile for the second apparatus to the first apparatus.

23. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19 wherein the voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile includes at least one setting related to voice interaction dialogue with a user, said at least one voice interaction dialogue setting including at least the speech recognition verification-related setting.

24. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:

a memory storing a program configured to operate the apparatus when executed and an application the output of which is to be used by another apparatus; and

a processor configured to execute the program, wherein when the processor executes the program operations are performed, the operations comprising:

~~reading~~ read a voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile for the other apparatus, the voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile comprising at least a speech recognition verification-related setting,

in which the program when executed responds to at least one user voice input with a query or a statement in dependence on the speech recognition verification-related setting;

~~initializing~~ initialize the application;

~~detecting~~ detect that execution of the application is required;

~~executing~~ execute the application while reading relevant parts of the ~~device~~ voice user interface profile on-the-fly, and

~~using~~ use appropriate parts of the voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile and ~~refraining~~ refrain from using inappropriate parts of the ~~UI voice~~ voice user interface profile.

25. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 24 wherein the apparatus is a base station operative in the wireless communications network.

26. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 24 wherein the operations further comprise:

~~determining~~ determine that the voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile for the other apparatus is stored at the apparatus.

27. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 24 wherein the operations further comprise:

~~determining~~ determine that the voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile for the other apparatus is not stored at the apparatus; and

~~uploading~~ update the voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile for the other apparatus to the apparatus.

28. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 24 wherein the voice ~~UI~~ user interface profile includes at least one setting related to voice interaction dialogue with a user, said at least one voice interaction dialogue setting including at least the speech recognition verification-related setting.